

Erie County Opiate Epidemic Task Force

Work Group Monthly Report

Work Group Name: **Community Education/Prevention**

Work Group Leader: Barbara Burns

Work Group Chair: Pat Greco

Work Group Meeting Schedule: (E-C Fire Training Academy-dates/location subject to change)

- February 22nd
- March 21st
- April 18th
- May 16th
- June 20th
- July 18th
- August 15th
- September 19th
- October 17th
- November 21st
- December 19th

Summary of meetings/Activities:

At our February 21st meeting, we began to brainstorm short and long term goals as well as what are the key messages we as a committee believe need to be shared with the public. Efforts are underway to create a presence on social media and to create a comprehensive info packet for the public.

In the first month, a press conference was held to alert the public to multiple overdose deaths in a very short period of time and a forum was held at the North Park Theatre to educate the public about the problem. We also began to look ahead to the DEA Prescription Drug Dropoff day at the end of April.

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Support needed? Nothing at this time.